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Justice Initiatives, Inc. Sponsors District Attorney Debate

Justice Initiatives, Inc. is proud to announce that it will be sponsoring a debate between the candidates vying for the District Attorney position in Mecklenburg County: Andrew Murray (Republican) and Michael Barnes (Democrat). The debate will take place on Thursday, October 14, 2010 from 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM at the Charlotte School of Law.

This special community event will offer the public an opportunity to meet the candidates and hear them discuss their positions and ideas regarding the operations of the District Attorney's Office. The moderator for the event is Julie Rose with WFAE 90.7/NPR. The members of the questioning panel include Billy Wilson representing the Board of Justice Initiatives, Carolyn Green Logan representing the Mecklenburg County Criminal Justice Citizens Advisory Committee and Professor Anita Blowers with the UNCC Criminal Justice Department. A portion of the debate has also been set aside for members of the audience to ask questions of the two candidates.

The event is open to the public, but seating is limited. To reserve a seat, please register at: <http://www.justiceinitiatives.org/regsys/index.php>.

Please note that attendees will not be allowed to bring cameras and/or other video/audio recording devices into the event.

About Justice Initiatives

Justice Initiatives, Inc. is a non-profit formed in 2004 by a progressive group of individuals who believe that Mecklenburg County deserves nothing less than a world-class court system. The Board of Directors is committed to tirelessly advocating for the interests of the judicial branch and for raising seed money needed for the continued development of pioneering programs and services that have brought forth national recognition and admiration.

We believe that the efficient and effective administration of justice is essential to a healthy and vibrant community. Given the important and compelling role courts play in determining our quality of life, every individual has a vested interest in ensuring that they have the most qualified employees, are managed efficiently and possess the resources they need.

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